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OR,

Curious Amusements for the INGENIOUS.

To which are Added the most

Material Occurrences Foreign and Domestick.

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Learned APOLLO.

Q. *THOSE many Perfections of Mind, which so Eminently and Conspicuously shine in all your Works, Baffles all Panegyricks and Encomiums, since what would be thought Great and almost Impracticable in any other, are but the easy and natural Emanations of your Bright Soul, your noble Notions on Sacred Scripture, so Commensurate to Divine Truths, call forth our high'st Attention and Admiration, from our best Instructed Reason. I beg therefore your Interpretation of this Text,* Colos. Chap. 2d. *part of the* 18th. Ver.

Let no Man Beguile you of your Reward, in a Voluntary Humility, and Worshipping of Angels, Intruding into those things which he hath not seen.

Worthy Gentlemen, *Your speedy Answer will higly Oblige her, that is your most Devoted*

Humble Servant, H——h B——r.

A The Sense of these Words is well enough Explain'd by the following Paraphrase; "Suffer no "Man to Usurp the Power of Domineering over "your Consciences as if they were Guilty in these "Things; or let no Man Defraud you of the Prize "that is ready at the Goal for you, by drawing "you aside, under Pretence of Voluntary Humility to those Opinions and Observances which are "not warrantable, as to use Angels for your "Mediators, under a Color of awful Modesty, "in not making your immediate Address to God "himself." From this Text the *Protestants* justly urge various Arguments against the Groundless Doctrin of Praying to Angels. For, 1. The Apostle says that those that Cherish this Error deprive the Faithful of their Reward. 2 He calls this Worship *Voluntary*, as being an Invention of Man, and not the Commandment of God. 3. He says *Humility* is the pretended Ground of this Practice, when notwithstanding it really proceeds from Mens being *Puffed up by their Fleshy Mind*, which disposes them to appear Wiser than God. Than which Words nothing can more directly Touch upon the *Papists* Pretence of *Humility* in this Observance. 4. He Subjoins in the next Verse, *holding not the Head*, meaning that they hereby fall from *Christ*, as making others partake of the Worship and Office which is only due to him: For he is the only Mediator between God and Men.

Q. *Supposing a Hole bored through the Earth Diametrically, and that a Stone were let fall into it, Query, where wou'd it stop?*

A. The Common Answer is that it will stop when it comes to the Center; but this is only said by those that are unacquainted with the Laws of Motion. We doubt not therefore but it will appear a strange Paradox to our Vulgar Readers, if we shou'd assert, that the Stone will never stop, but will continue its Motion backward and forward thro' the Globe for ever; which notwithstanding we leave to the Judgment of Mathematicians whether the following Reason do's not Demonstrate. It is known that the Motion of Bodies Descending by their own Gravity is accelerated; and it is demonstrated that this Celerity is Proportionate to the Times from the beginning of the Descent; so that if, for Instance, a Body Descends 20 Foot in the first Second of Time, in the next Second it will acquire a double Celerity and move 40 Foot; and so again after the third Second of Time it will gain a Celerity equal to the two former, and

so of the Rest. But by this Acceleration it will gain such a Force by the Time that it comes to the Center, as must necessarily carry it beyond the Center towards the opposite side of the Globe. But it is likewise demonstrated that the Motion of Bodies thrown directly upwards is Retarded in the same Proportion as that of Descending Bodies is accelerated; and therefore the Force which the Body had gain'd in its Descent will not be wholly Spent till it reaches the Circumference of the opposite side of the Globe. Which when it has done it will be forced by its innate Gravity to return back again, and so continue renewing and diminishing its Force in equal Proportions at equal distances from the Center for ever, and the time of Ascent and Descent will be likewise always equal. In Opposition to what we have said, some perhaps may imagine, that there is the same Reason why these Reciprocal Motions of the Stone shou'd at last cease and it made to rest in the Center, as there is for the ceasing of the Vibrations of a Pendulum. And if indeed according to the Common received Opinion we admit the Resistance of the Medium to be the true Reason why the Pendulums Motion is at last made to cease, we shou'd be forced to grant that the Reciprocations of the Stone are Subject to the same Impediment. But *Galileo* has fairly Confuted this Notion and proved that the Cessation of the Pendulums Motion is owing to another Principle which the Curious Readers may see, *Dial. 2do. System. C sm.* But the Cause by him there Assigned peculiarly concerns the Pendulum, and cannot be apply'd in the Present Case.

Q. Gentlemen, *Being a Young Woman of no mean Family, but of no great Fortune (I some Months before I came to the Age of 21 Years, and without my Parents Knowledg) took a clean Occasion to let a Young Gentleman of good Qualifications (though no way my Superior) understand that I had some favorable Thoughts of him. He hereupon Embrac'd all Opportunities of Converse with me,—quickly enterprized a Private Courtship to me, to encourage which, I very often gave him my Company. This at last became known to, and was equally disapprov'd of by my Parents; we nevertheless persisted in our Amours, till some Months after I came of Age (which he was of before, and at his full Liberty also, to Marry as he plea's'd) when he not pressing it on his side, I (contrary to the methods of our Sex I confess) took on me to put the Question to my Lover whether we should be Married? He Consented. We privately then between our selves fix'd the time. But alas! from the Moment of our then parting (which was above a Year since) I have not so much as once seen or heard from him. Nay, what is worse, I'm inform'd he is speedily to be Married to another.*

Now, upon the whole my Request to you is, that you would favor me so far as to say in your Paper as soon as possible, whether his Marriage with another can be Valid in point of Law; whether in point of Conscience it can be Consummated without the Guilt of Adultery in him: And whether if I should Marry another before him (or even afterwards) I should not be guilty of the same Sin. Pray, Gentlemen, *Answer with what speed you can and You'll for ever Oblige,*

Your Admirer and Subscriber, SILVIA.

A. There was indeed a Statute in 32, *H.* 8. *C.* 38. Confirming all Marriages, notwithstanding Precontracts of Matrimony not Consummmate with Bodily Knowledg, which either of the Parties Married had made with other Persons. But divers Intolerable Inconveniencies following upon this Clause of that Statute, it was Repealed in 2, *and* 3, *Ed.* 6. *C.* 23. and the Business of Precontracts reduced to the Ancient State and Order of our Ecclesiastical Laws, by which any Persons so Precontracted are never after at Liberty to Marry any other without each others Mutual Leave first granted; and if they do, that Marriage may be easily Ddissolved upon Complaint thereof to the Ecclesiastical Court, as being indeed even in Point of Conscience no other than Adultery. For according to the known Maxim of Civilians, 'Tis Consent not Bodily Knowledg makes a Marriage, and this is likewise to be allowed to be a Maxim of the Law of Nature, which consequently must perpetually bind the Conscience, so that any other Marriage after such a Consent will be Adultery according to the Law of our Saviour. Notwithstanding we are of Opinion that this Contract is not of that Force either in Law or Conscience, but that that if nothing be performed, the Obligation may cease up each Party Dissenting and receding from it; for 'tis Natural that the contrary to that which causes the Obligation shou'd be capable of making it void, unless by Virtue of some positive Law it cannot be rescinded, which we believe there is not in the Present Case.

Q. Gentlemen, *Pray, what is the Reason that no more of the People of* England *use the same method in Speaking, as do the* Quakers; *since as I think they keep nearest to the True Sense of Words and I think if their way of Speaking was as much in Vogue (as is the contrary) it would be to the full as agreeable.*

Your Answer particular on this Subject will much Oblige your Humble Servant, &c.

A. Words are Arbitrary, *and* Custom makes them Authentic, therefore were *their* way of Speaking as Universal it might be as agreeable, as what now is so; and far more agreeable than when it is only affected without a just Reason for it, which there cannot be. As to their Notion of Speaking in the Scripture Phrase, there is nothing in it: For all know that *English* was not the Original Language the Scriptures were Writ in, but that what we Read, is a Translation of them, and our Present Common Mode of Speech, is as near to the Original, as that was when the Scriptures were Translated into *English.*

POEMS.

Q. YEE Musical Sparks,
Who Sing like the Larks,
When the little Blind God *bears a part;*
But when you're on the Satyrs,
Your Lines are drawn Rapiers,
And with them you strike to the Heart.

When you're in the Vein,
Of a Comical Strain,
So nicely you Matters Untwist,
I'm took so with Laughter,
Mine Eyes ran with Water,
Nay, sometimes am almost Bep—t.

A Matter I have,
But not very Grave,
And yet doet of Politics *Treat,*

BIBLIOTHECA BODLEIANA

Of

Of a Prince, *who was Fir'd*
To the Wars, but retir'd,
Or else had been Swingingly Beat;

'Tis Anjou *of* France,
Who took a French *Dance,*
To see his Brave Army *Engage;*
And to Swallow up,
The Allies *at a sup,*
And Talk'd like a Man a in Rage.

When to 'em he came,
To Purchase Great Fame,
He only just Smelt to their Tails;
And flew back again,
With all might and main,
That w'admire, what th' Dev'l *he ails.*

What Fasts *and* Processions,
To pass by Transgressions,
And Praying to Saints *for their aid;*
And yet when in Sight,
Or on Thoughts of a Fight,
Away Monsieur *Scampers dismaid.*

His Presence *he thought,*
Wou'd'ave Miracles wrought,
But his Courage so small did appear;
It was not enough,
At least of such Proof,
To Protect Poor Peel-Garlick *from Fear.*

Now say, was it not,
On's 'Scutchion a Blot,
To make such a Noise and not Fight;
About thus to Flounce,
And Hector and Bounce,
Yet ready himself to Besto—te.

Or where was the Sense,
To make such pretense,
When after a few Weeks were over;
The World wou'd see plain,
He was Foolish and Vain,
And his Rodomontado's *discover.*

A. Altho' the Young *Bully,*
Did'n't Answer so fully,
The Promise of Prowess h'd given;
But Hector'd and Vapor'd,
And back again Caper'd,
Or rather was back again Driven.

Yet some *Ends* 'tis plain,
He thereby did again,
By his Bouncing, his Threats, and Bravado's;
To Mince the *Allies,*
Like Meat into Pies,
And Comical *Rodomontado's.*

By this he made out,
His *Birth* beyond doubt,
And the certainest Proof did advance;
He never shou'd pass
(Tho' he might for an Ass)
For a *Bastard,* but *True Son of France.*

And this is far more,
Than his *Grandsire* before,
Cou'd prove, tho' he bore the right Name;
For most People say,
He took the wrong way,
And in at a *Window* he came.

Q. Apollo, *whence came,*
This Proverb of Fame,
That tho' Friends may meet,
Yet Mountains ne'er Greet.

A. Those *Mountains* are Friends,
Or Ambitious Ends,
Who may bear the Name,
But ne'er prove the same;
Too Haughty and Proud,
Too Noisy and Loud,
For such soft Intent,
Does Friendship Cement;
Their State must be equal,
Where that is the Sequel;
But these always vie,
For Supremacy,
Whose violent *Air,*
No *Rival* can bear.

Q. *We oft have been told,*
That Apollo *of Old,*
By Oracle *Answer'd,*
All Questions where Transfer'd,
To his Shrine, and cou'd tell us
Things, e'er they befel us;
Now tell us we Pray thee,
(If Answer'd it may be)
When Peace, so long thought on,
Shall truly be brought on,
Or what is all one,
When the Wars shall be done?

A. When a *Fox* his Young *Cub,*
Shall of Honors undub,
And then turn Confessor,
To's *Punk,* nothing less, Sir,
And Chastise her well,
For the Damnable Spell,
She set on his Brain,
Which never again,
Since that time appear'd,
Nor ne'er will its fea'd;

Then

Then *Peace* shall return,

And you Fresh Incense Burn.

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SIR,

THE Advises from Naples, are that General Vaubonne was at last Marched to join his Regiment to that of Thaun and proceed towards Piemont; That the Regiment of Curassiers of Caraffa was come to Naples; That 2 Small Privateers were likewise there with several Prizes; That the Pope had Advice from Barcelona, that King Charles had refused to receive the Abbot Lucini for Internuncio, because his Majesty having sent to Rome a Person of the first Rank, he expected a Man of Consideration shou'd be sent to him with the Character of Nuncio; and that the Abbot Mellini was already Nam'd of among many Others that aspire to this Dignity. They Write from Copenhagen, July the 8th, That the King is returned from Fredericksburg, having all his Troops and Commanded them to be ready to March to the place he shall assign for the General Rendezvous before the 20th Instant; That on the 3d Instant came in from the East-Sea a Frigate with Advice that the Danish Fleet under Command of Admiral Guldenlu, lay Cruising on the Coast of Bornholm, to which Place has been lately sent a Reinforcement of several Men of War, Fireships, Bomb Vessels and Tenders, insomuch that the whole consists of 29 Ships of the Line of Battle, 14 Frigats and other Vessels of Burthen.

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